

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
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IN RE: Notice of US LEC Corp of "Bona Fide)
Request" for an Interconnection Agreement) Docket No. 00-00026
with TDS Local Exchange Carriers Pursuant to)
47 U.S.C. § 251)

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF INTERCONNECTION REQUEST

By Order issued September 29, 2003, Docket 03-00415, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority has approved an interconnection agreement between US LEC of Tennessee, Inc. ("US LEC") and Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc., Tennessee Telephone Company, Humphreys County Telephone Company and Tellico Telephone Company, Inc. (collectively, "TDS"). In light of this approval, US LEC withdraws the above-captioned request that US LEC and TDS negotiate an interconnection agreement with pursuant to Section 251 of the federal Telecommunications Act.¹ In light of the withdrawal of the request for interconnection, US LEC agrees with TDS that this docket may now be closed.

Respectfully submitted,

BOULT, CUMMINGS, CONNERS & BERRY, PLC

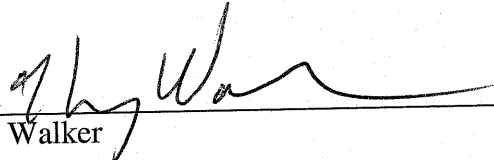
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¹ The interconnection agreement between US LEC and TDS TELECOM was negotiated pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 251(a) and (b). US LEC also has a statutory right to seek interconnection pursuant to Section 251(c), subject to the requirements and limitations set forth in Section 251(f), should US LEC choose to make such a request in the future.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing is being forwarded via U.S. Mail, to Clint Simpson, 165 Madison Avenue, Suite 2000, Memphis, Tennessee, 38103 on this the 13th day of October, 2003.


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